AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Tuesday, Feb.9, 2010 8:15 AM Auburn Civic Center, Room 10 **Minutes**

Meeting called to order by Chair at 8:15 a.m. A quorum was declared.

In attendance, Commissioners Aloha Baumgarten, Brian Jagger, Lee Buckingham, Mary Beauchamp, Randy Mealhow, Sue Dings, Kristin Aplin and City Councilman Mike Holmes. Excused absence, Marti Niles.

Minutes from the January 12th, 2010 were reviewed and approved for filing.

Sue Dings read and applauded the quote from Auburn City web site supporting arts in Auburn. Auburn is committed to supporting the arts in the community, including public art, theatre, music, dance and the many local artists that exhibit their works in the art galleries and businesses.

Project Reports: Art in Public Places:

Streetscape Project: A communication from Marti Niles informed the Commission that the Streetscape Committee [SHAAC] meeting had been postponed by a week, therefore no report. The Commission was informed and asked to attend, if possible, the Streetscape phase one ribbon cutting celebration on February 24th from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Mural projects: Sue stated the City staff has contacted Patrick Shields, the artist approved to design a mural for the Elks Club Wall. He plans to start installation in May of 2010. Cal Trans has given an extension on the encroachment permit.

Guide to Public Art Brochure: Extra copies were given out to Commissioners to ensure additional distribution. Mary recommended an "Art Walk" insert in to the Public Art Brochure. She will follow-up on this with the Art Walk committee. Kristen suggested the distribution site list be divided into smaller segments and assigned to more Commissioners.

City Hall Gallery: Aloha reported the exhibit by Julie Hirota, will be coming down February 28th. Placer Arts League is slated for March & April. Aloha and Lee spoke to City officials who approved the painting of the gallery walls for better display of the art selected for the City hall gallery. It was mentioned AAC needs to join Placer Arts to support the Art Walk and arts in Auburn. There was discussion on the appropriateness of City paying the fee. This discussion will be continued at the next meeting. Councilman Holmes will speak with Placer Arts for clarification. Request for an action item for future agenda.

Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center: Sue reported the recent show by *Take Note Troupe* "Melodies and Memories of Laura Ingalls Wilder" went very well, with sold out performances. Councilman Holmes reported that APPAC is looking at a building behind the Theatre to add dressing rooms, etc. to the Performing Arts Center. APPAC is recruiting volunteers to help with box office, ushering, etc.

Old Business: the AAC Facebook page was discussed. Was mentioned need to revisit on a future agenda.

New Business: The AAC committee Sign-up sheet was sent around for committee and other assignments. As part of the AAC's duties, the Public art catalog needs to be maintained. Randy volunteered to take pictures of new public art for the catalog.

Public Comment:

Randy discussed Sierra Nevada Conservancy. Shared doesn't feel involvement by AAC would be appropriate.

Councilman Holmes stated the Amgen bicycle race should be coming through Auburn the 16/17th of May. The City may declare 2010 "bicycle year", looking to further promote. City has also submitted several buildings to the State for historic listings.

Brian announced his play "The Interviews" is coming to Magic Circle Theater in Roseville opening March 5th and that Placer Community Theater has a new original show, "Toxic" starting in April in Auburn.

Correspondence

Letter was read by Sue, from an 60 year old inmate requesting assistance in marketing his art. Discussion on response, decided we are not the correct resource to assist his needs.

Future agenda items:

Public Art Tour Brochure distribution re-assignments Placer Arts membership Change Commission meeting day? Facebook discussion

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 am

Submitted by Brian Jagger, Secretary